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Dear Josh,

I've finally finished my thesis and become a member of the union. Before I send the manuscript in to a publisher I would like to check with you on a reference to your work which is, I think, unpublished. In support of the hypothesis that ultraviolet radiation produces nuclear killing I state: "Lederberg (unpublished) has induced homozygosity in K12 heterozygotes with ultraviolet radiation! Is this allright with you?

I had a good time at the orals, at which there was grilling by Bernie Davis, Evelyn Witkin and especially Dunn, who made me add a lot of conjecture to the thesis.

About the middle of next week I am leaving for Caltech, naving finally gotten the fellowship from Public Health, to work with Max. Although I won't be leaving there before next October, I'll be interested to hear about the possibilities of coming to your laboratory. Perhaps you can suggest the best agency to approach for a fellowship-I think Public Health will be out after this year, since they do not usually support people for more then two years.

With best wishes- also to Esther and Norton

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Sincerely Peggy Lieb